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Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (1 pg.);

Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts (2 pgs.);

Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pgs.);

Check (#12126) in the amount of \$65.00 in payment of the surcharge;

Substitute Drawings (6 pgs.); and

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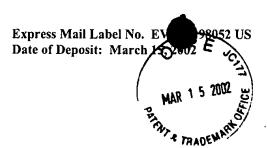
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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated January 15, 2002, Applicants submit herein a check in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the surcharge for late filing, an executed Declaration for Patent Application, and substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.

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# NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

#### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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